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QUOTE

C O N F I D E N T I A L DAKAR 5843

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, UN, SG, KS

SUBJ: KOREAN ISSUE

REF: A. DAKAR 5483; B. DAKAR 5511

1. SUMMARY: LETTER FROM SENEGALESE FOREIGN MINISTER ON
KOREA REPLIES TO EMBASSY DEMARCHES BY SUPPORTING CONTENTION
OF GOS UN PERM REP FALL THAT HE HAS NOT EXCEEDED HIS
INSTRUCTIONS ON KOREAN ISSUE WHICH CALL FOR HIM TO SUPPORT
NORTH KOREAN RESOLUTION WITHOUT BEING "HOSTILE" TO SOUTH
KOREA. END SUMMARY.

2. EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED LETTER DATED OCTOBER 10 FROM
FOREIGN MINISTER SECK TO AMBASSADOR CONCERNING SEPT 24
DEMARCHES ON KOREA MADE TO PRESIDENT SENGHOR AND SECK
(REFTEL A). LETTER PARALLELS SEPT 26 PHONE CONVERSATIONS
WITH FOREIGN MINISTER (REFTEL B) IN REPORTING INSISTANCE OF
GOS UN PERM REP FALL THAT HE HAS SIMPLY BEEN SUPPORTING
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RESOLUTION CO-SPONSORED BY SENEGAL AND NOT BEING HOSTILE

TO SOUTH KOREANS.

3. TEXT FOLLOWS:

QUOTE YOU HAVE INFORMED ME THAT SENEGAL ACTIVELY EXERTED ITSELF TO OBSTRUCT (BLOQUER) VOTE ON RESOLUTION SPONSORED BY YOUR COUNTRY AND CONCERNING SOUTH KOREA. MOREOVER, YOU HAVE EMPHASIZED THAT OUR UN REPRESENTATIVE UNDERTOOK STEPS HOSTILE TO SOUTH KOREA. THAT ASSERTION CREATED SOME SURPRISE IN OUR GOVERNMENT. I THUS ASKED OUT UN REPRESENTATIVE TO EXPLAIN HOW HE HAD CARRIED OUT MY INSTRUCTIONS. I REITERATE THESE INSTRUCTIONS: SENEGAL BEING CO-AUTHOR OF ALGERIAN RESOLUTION, ITS LOGICAL POSITION WAS TO ACTIVELY DEFEND AND SUPPORT THAT POSITION, BUT WITHOUT TAKING ANY HOSTILE ATTITUDE TOWARD SOUTH KOREA.

IN THAT RESPECT, EXPLANATIONS THAT HAVE BEEN GIVEN BY OUR REPRESENTATIVE DO NOT SEEM TO HAVE EXCEEDED FRAME-WORK OF MY INSTRUCTIONS. FURTHERMORE, AS CONCERNS VOTE WHICH TOOK PLACE ON PRIORITY TO ACCORD TO TWO DRAFT RESOLUTIONS, YOU WILL AGREE WITH ME THAT ACT OF CHOOSING RESOLUTION CO-AUTHORED BY SENEGAL IS COMPLETELY LEGITIMATE. MOREOVER, OUR AMBASSADOR STATES THAT AT NO TIME HAS HE EXHIBITED HOSTILITY TOWARD SOUTH KOREA.

IN ANY EVENT, THE PROBLEM WILL BE CLARIFIED DURING MY TRIP TO UN.

FROM NOW ON, I CAN ASSURE YOU THAT SENEGAL, WHILE SPIRITEDLY DEFENDING ITS OWN POSITION AS BEFORE WILL ALWAYS TRY TO PERSERVE THE BEST RELATIONS WITH ALL COUNTRIES OF WORLD.
(COMPLIMENTARY CLOSE). END QUOTE

4. LETTER WAS APPARENTLY DRAFTED BEFORE OR DURING SECK'S TRIP TO NEW YORK FOR GENERAL DEBATE, FROM WHICH HE RETURNED TO DAKAR OCTOBER 15.

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